

REMARKS

The Official Action mailed July 29, 2003, has been received and its contents carefully noted. Filed concurrently herewith is a *Request for Two Month Extension of Time*, which extends the shortened statutory period for response to December 29, 2003. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully submit that this response is being timely filed.

The Applicants note with appreciation the consideration of the Information Disclosure Statements filed on January 19, 1999, November 26, 1999, July 18, 2000, January 31, 2001, April 9, 2001, and May 31, 2002.

Claims 1-6, 13-31, 33-36, 38-41, 43-46, 48-51, 53-56, 58-61, 63-66, 68-71, 73-76, 78-81, 83-86, 88-91, 93-96, 98-101, 103-106, 108-111, 113-116, 118-121, 123-126 and 128-130 were pending in the present application prior to the above amendment. Claims 25-30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 59, 60, 64, 65, 69, 70, 74, 75, 79, 80, 84, 85, 89, 90, 94, 95, 99, 100, 104, 105, 109, 110, 114, 115, 119, 120, 124, 125, 129 and 130 have been canceled, and new claims 131-146 have been added to recite additional protection to which the Applicants are entitled. Accordingly, claims 1-6, 13-24, 31, 33, 34, 36, 38, 39, 41, 43, 44, 46, 48, 49, 51, 53, 54, 56, 58, 61, 63, 66, 68, 71, 73, 76, 78, 81, 83, 86, 88, 91, 93, 96, 98, 101, 103, 106, 108, 111, 113, 116, 118, 121, 123, 126, 128 and 131-146 are now pending in the present application, of which claims 1, 13, 19, 56, 58, 61, 63, 131, 135, 139 and 143 are independent. For the reasons set forth in detail below, all claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is requested. The Applicants note with appreciation the allowance of claims 1-6, 13-24, 31, 33, 34, 36, 38, 39, 41, 43, 44, 46, 48, 49, 51, 53, 54, 56, 58, 61, 63, 66, 68, 71, 73, 76, 78, 81, 83, 86, 88, 91, 93, 96, 98, 101, 103, 106, 108, 111, 113, 116, 118, 121, 123, 126 and 128 (page 4, Paper No. 31).

The Official Action objects to the drawings under 37 CFR § 1.83(a) asserting that the drawings do not show every feature of the invention specified in independent claims 25, 59, 60, 64 and 65. In response, the Applicants have canceled claims 25, 59, 60, 64 and 65 and the claims which depend from them. Therefore, the objection is moot.

The Official Action objects to the *Brief Summary of the Invention* asserting that it is not commensurate with the claimed invention. In response, the Applicants have amended the *Brief Summary of the Invention* such that it is commensurate with the claimed invention. Reconsideration of the objection is requested.

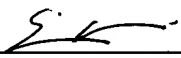
The Official Action objects to the specification under 37 CFR § 1.75(d)(1) and MPEP § 608.01(0) asserting that the specification fails to provide proper antecedent basis for some of the features of claims 1, 13, 19, 25, 56, 58-61 and 63-65. Regarding claims 1, 13, 19, 25, 56, 58 and 63, the Official Action calls for correction of the following: “a surface of said pixel electrode is rounded along the rounded edge of said leveling film” (page 2, Id.). In response and in accordance with the Examiner’s suggestion, the Applicants have amended the specification at page 23, line 31, and at page 31, line 8, to support the above-referenced feature. Regarding claims 25, 59, 60, 64 and 65, as noted above, the claims have been canceled. Reconsideration of the objection is requested.

The Official Action rejects claims 25-30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 59, 60, 64, 65, 69, 70, 74, 75, 79, 80, 84, 85, 89, 90, 94, 95, 99, 100, 104, 105, 109, 110, 114, 115, 119, 120, 124, 125, 129 and 130 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first and second paragraphs, asserting that the claims fail to comply with the written description requirement. In response to this rejection, the Applicants have canceled claims 25-30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 59, 60, 64, 65, 69, 70, 74, 75, 79, 80, 84, 85, 89, 90, 94, 95, 99, 100, 104, 105, 109, 110, 114, 115, 119, 120, 124, 125, 129 and 130. Therefore, the rejection is moot.

New claims 131-146 have been added to recite additional protection to which the Applicants are entitled. Specifically, claims 131-146 recite the allowable subject matter “a surface of said pixel electrode is rounded along the rounded edge of said leveling film” (see reasons for allowance, page 4, Id.). The Applicants respectfully submit that new claims 131-146 are in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable to place this application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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